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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Munetaka TSUDA

Application No.: 09/535,241

Group Art Unit: 2862

Filed: March 27, 2000

Examiner: T. Fetzner

Attorney Docket No.: 9202-0009

For:

MAGNETIC RESONANCE

IMAGING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MAINTAINING

HIGH UNIFORMITY OF

MAGNETIC FIELD IN MAGNETIC

RESONANCE IMAGING

FEE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The fee required to be filed with the accompanying amendment of even date herewith concerning the above-identified application has been estimated to be \$970.

The claim amendment fee has been estimated as shown below:

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| TOTAL | 35 | MINUS | 20 | = | 15 | × 9 | \$ | | | × 18 | \$ | 270.00 | |
| INDEP. | 8 | MINUS | 3 | = | 5 | × 42 | \$ | | | × 84 | \$ | 420.00 | |
| 8 FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM | | | | | | 140 | \$ | | | 280 | \$ | 280.00 | |
| | | | | | | TOTAL | \$ | | OR | TOTAL | s | 970.00 | |

Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date August 23, 2002

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New York, NY August 23, 2002

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reference to the Office Action dated April 24, 2002, please enter the following amendments and remarks, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.111, into the file of the aboveidentified application.

Attached hereto are: 1) a Petition for Extension of Time accompanied by the required fee for one (1) month to and including August 24, 2002; 2) Submission of English Translations under 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a)(4); 3) English translations of the certified priority documents, JP11-83744 filed March 26, 1999 and JP11-357283 filed December 16, 1999, respectively, accompanied by the translator's declaration; 4) Exhibit A, a marked-up version of the amended paragraphs of the specification; 5) Exhibit B, a marked-up version of the amended claims; 6) Exhibit C, a list of pending claims upon entry of the present amendment; and 7) Amendment Fee Transmittal Sheet.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 2, please replace the paragraph beginning "On the other hand," with the following paragraph:

--On the other hand, two shimming methods for improving the uniformity of the static magnetic field are available. One is a passive shimming that disposes a magnetic

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